

Victim/Witness Offices

are located in each Prosecuting Attorney's Office.
Contact them for assistance with your case and information about your rights.

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| Adams County (509) 659-3219 | Kitsap County (360) 337-7174 | Snohomish County (425) 388-3370 |
| Asotin County (509) 243-2061 | Kittitas County (360) 962-7520 | South Puget Sound Intertribal Planning Agency (360) 426-3990 |
| Benton County (509) 735-3591 | Klickitat County (509) 773-5838 | Spokane County (509) 456-3646 |
| Chelan County (509) 664-5206 | Lewis County (360) 740-1240 | Stevens County (509) 684-7500 |
| Clallam County (360) 417-2368 | Lincoln County (509) 725-4040 | Thurston County (360) 754-2989 |
| Clark County (360) 397-2008 | Lummi Indian Victim Assistance (360) 384-2285 | Upper Skagit Tribe Victim Assistance (360) 856-4200 |
| Columbia County (509) 382-1197 | Mason County (360) 384-2285 | Wahkiakum County (360) 795-3652 |
| Cowlitz County (360) 577-3080 | Okanogan County (509) 422-7280 | Walla Walla County (509) 527-3232 |
| Douglas County (509) 884-9446 | Pacific County (360) 875-9361 | Whatcom County (360) 676-6784 |
| Ferry County (509) 775-5206 ext 207 | Pend Oreille County (509) 447-4414 | Whitman County (509) 397-6250 |
| Franklin County (509) 545-3543 | Pierce County (253) 798-7400 | Yakama Indian Victim Assistance (509) 865-5121 |
| Garfield County (509) 843-3082 | Port Gamble Skallam Tribe (360) 297-2646 | Yakima County (509) 574-1210 |
| Grant County (509) 754-2011 ext 450 | San Juan County (360) 378-4101 | |
| Grays Harbor County (360) 249-3951 | Seattle Police Department (206) 684-7777 | |
| Island County (360) 679-7365 | Skagit County (360) 336-9460 | |
| Jefferson County (360) 385-9386 | Skamania County (509) 427-4210 | |
| King County (206) 296-9552 | | |

Office of Crime Victims Advocacy

The Office of Crime Victims Advocacy (OCVA) serves as a voice within government for the needs of crime victims in Washington State. Established in 1990, OCVA serves the state on many levels by:

- Advocating on behalf of crime victims in obtaining needed services and resources;
- Administering grant funds for community programs working with crime victims;
- Assisting communities in planning and implementing services for crime victims; and
- Advising local and state government agencies of practices, policies, and priorities which impact crime victims.

"It is the mission of the Office of Crime Victims Advocacy to identify the opportunities and resources victims need in order to recover and to facilitate the availability of those resources and opportunities in communities statewide."



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Crime Victim Rights

*Understanding your rights
as a victim of crime
in the State of Washington*



Office of Crime Victims Advocacy

1-800-822-1067

Victim Assistance Groups

Address Confidentiality Program
1-800-822-1065

Child Protective Services Hotline
1-800-562-5624

Crime Victims Compensation
1-800-762-3716

Department of Corrections
Victim/Witness Program
1-800-322-2201

Domestic Violence Hotline
1-800-562-6025

DSHS Victim/Witness Notification
Program
1-800-422-1536

Family and Friends of Violent
Crime Victims
1-800-346-7555

Office of Crime Victims Advocacy
1-800-822-1067

Violent Crime Victims Services
253-383-5254

Washington Coalition of Crime
Victim Advocates
425-301-9355

Crime Victims' Bill of Rights

As established in RCW 7.69.030

As a crime victim, survivor of a crime victim, or witness to a crime, Washington state law provides that reasonable efforts be made to ensure the following **rights**:

1. To be provided with a **written statement of the rights of crime victims**, including the name, address and phone number of a county or local crime victim/witness program if one is available in your area.
2. To be informed of the **final disposition** of the case.
3. To be informed of **changes in court dates** to which you have been subpoenaed.
4. To receive **protection from harm** or threats of harm arising from cooperation with law enforcement and prosecution efforts.
5. To be informed of the procedure to be followed to apply for and receive any **witness fees** to which you are entitled.
6. To be provided, whenever practical, with a **secure waiting area** during court proceedings that does not require you to be in close proximity to defendants and families or friends of defendants.
7. To have any stolen or **personal property returned** as soon as possible after the completion of the case.
8. To be provided with appropriate **employer intercession** regarding absence from work for court appearances.
9. To be provided **access to medical assistance** without unreasonable delay.
10. To have, whenever practical, a **victim advocate** present at prosecutorial or defense interviews and at judicial proceedings.
11. To be **present in court** during trial, or if subpoenaed to testify, to be scheduled as early as practical in proceedings in order to be present during trial after testifying.
12. To be informed of the **date, time and place of the sentencing hearing** for felony convictions upon request.
13. To submit a **victim impact statement** which shall be included in all pre-sentence reports and permanently included in the offender's files and records.
14. To **present a victim impact statement personally** or by representation, at sentencing hearings for felony convictions.
15. To have **restitution** ordered when there is a felony conviction, even if the offender is incarcerated, unless extraordinary circumstances exist.
16. To **present a statement** in person, in writing, via audio/video tape, or by representation, at any hearing conducted regarding an application for **pardon or commutation of sentence**.

Child Crime Victims' Bill of Rights

As established in RCW 7.69A.030

In addition to the rights provided for all crime victims and witnesses, Washington law states that reasonable efforts be made to ensure the following rights for child victims of violent or sex crimes or child abuse and witnesses under age eighteen:

1. To have legal proceedings and legal investigations in which the child is involved **explained in a language easily understood** by the child.
2. To have, whenever practical, a **victim advocate** present at prosecutorial or defense interviews and at judicial proceedings.
3. To be provided, whenever practical, with a **secure waiting area** during court proceedings and to have an advocate or support person remain with the child prior to and during court proceedings.
4. To not have the **names, addresses or photographs disclosed** to any agency outside the criminal justice system without the permission of the child or the child's parents or guardians.
5. To allow an advocate to make recommendations to the prosecuting attorney about child's **ability to cooperate with prosecution** and the potential effect of the proceedings on the child.
6. To allow an advocate to provide information to the court regarding the child's **ability to understand court proceedings**.
7. To be provided with appropriate **referrals to social service agencies** to assist the child and/or the child's family with the emotional impact of the crime, investigation and judicial proceedings.
8. To allow an **advocate to be present in court** while the child testifies.
9. To provide information to the court as to the need for the **presence of other supportive persons** during the child's testimony to promote the child's feelings of security and safety.
10. To allow law enforcement to **enlist the services of other professional personnel** such as Child Protective Services, victim advocates or prosecutorial staff trained in the interviewing of child victims.
11. To receive, either directly or through the child's parent or guardian, a **written statement of the rights of child victims**, including the name, address, and phone number of a county or local crime victim/witness program if one is available.